



## Complete Summary

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### TITLE

Cancer: the practice can produce a register of all cancer patients defined as a 'register of patients with a diagnosis of cancer excluding nonmelanotic skin cancers from 1 April 2003.'

### SOURCE(S)

British Medical Association (BMA). Quality and outcomes framework guidance. London (UK): British Medical Association (BMA); 2006. 132 p.

## Measure Domain

### PRIMARY MEASURE DOMAIN

#### Structure

The validity of measures depends on how they are built. By examining the key building blocks of a measure, you can assess its validity for your purpose. For more information, visit the [Measure Validity](#) page.

### SECONDARY MEASURE DOMAIN

Does not apply to this measure

## Brief Abstract

### DESCRIPTION

This measure is used to assess whether a practice can produce a register of all cancer patients defined as a 'register of patients with a diagnosis of cancer excluding nonmelanotic skin cancers from 1 April 2003.'

### RATIONALE

Cancer is a clinical priority in all four countries of the United Kingdom. It is recognised that the principal active management of cancers occurs in the secondary care setting. General practitioners often have a key role in the referral and subsequently in providing a support role and in ensuring that care is appropriately co-ordinated. This measure is one of two [Cancer](#) measures. The Cancer set is not evidence-based but does represent Good Professional Practice.

A register is a prerequisite for ensuring follow-up of patients with cancer. The register can be developed prospectively as the intention is to ensure appropriate care and follow-up for patients with a diagnosis of cancer.

#### PRIMARY CLINICAL COMPONENT

Cancer; patient registry

#### DENOMINATOR DESCRIPTION

This measure applies to practices whose patient population includes individuals with a diagnosis of cancer (one practice at a time).

#### NUMERATOR DESCRIPTION

The practice can produce a register of all cancer patients defined as a 'register of patients with a diagnosis of cancer excluding nonmelanotic skin cancers from 1 April 2003.'

### Evidence Supporting the Measure

#### EVIDENCE SUPPORTING THE CRITERION OF QUALITY

- A formal consensus procedure involving experts in relevant clinical, methodological, and organizational sciences

### Evidence Supporting Need for the Measure

#### NEED FOR THE MEASURE

Unspecified

### State of Use of the Measure

#### STATE OF USE

Current routine use

#### CURRENT USE

Internal quality improvement  
National reporting  
Pay-for-performance

### Application of Measure in its Current Use

#### CARE SETTING

Physician Group Practices/Clinics

#### PROFESSIONALS RESPONSIBLE FOR HEALTH CARE

Physicians

#### LOWEST LEVEL OF HEALTH CARE DELIVERY ADDRESSED

Group Clinical Practices

#### TARGET POPULATION AGE

Does not apply to this measure

#### TARGET POPULATION GENDER

Does not apply to this measure

#### STRATIFICATION BY VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Does not apply to this measure

### Characteristics of the Primary Clinical Component

#### INCIDENCE/PREVALENCE

Unspecified

#### ASSOCIATION WITH VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Unspecified

#### BURDEN OF ILLNESS

Unspecified

#### UTILIZATION

Unspecified

#### COSTS

Unspecified

### Institute of Medicine National Healthcare Quality Report Categories

#### IOM CARE NEED

Not within an IOM Care Need

## IOM DOMAIN

Not within an IOM Domain

## Data Collection for the Measure

### CASE FINDING

Does not apply to this measure

### DENOMINATOR SAMPLING FRAME

Does not apply to this measure

### DENOMINATOR INCLUSIONS/EXCLUSIONS

#### Inclusions

This measure applies to practices whose patient population includes individuals with a diagnosis of cancer (one practice at a time).

#### Exclusions

Unspecified

### RELATIONSHIP OF DENOMINATOR TO NUMERATOR

Does not apply to this measure

### DENOMINATOR (INDEX) EVENT

Does not apply to this measure

### DENOMINATOR TIME WINDOW

Does not apply to this measure

### NUMERATOR INCLUSIONS/EXCLUSIONS

#### Inclusions

The practice can produce a register of all cancer patients defined as a 'register of patients with a diagnosis of cancer excluding nonmelanotic skin cancers from 1 April 2003.'

#### Exclusions

Unspecified

### MEASURE RESULTS UNDER CONTROL OF HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS, ORGANIZATIONS AND/OR POLICYMAKERS

The measure results are somewhat or substantially under the control of the health care professionals, organizations and/or policymakers to whom the measure applies.

#### NUMERATOR TIME WINDOW

Fixed time period

#### DATA SOURCE

Registry data

#### LEVEL OF DETERMINATION OF QUALITY

Does not apply to this measure

#### PRE-EXISTING INSTRUMENT USED

Unspecified

### Computation of the Measure

#### SCORING

Categorical Variable

#### INTERPRETATION OF SCORE

Passing score defines better quality

#### ALLOWANCE FOR PATIENT FACTORS

Does not apply to this measure

#### STANDARD OF COMPARISON

External comparison at a point in time  
Internal time comparison

### Evaluation of Measure Properties

#### EXTENT OF MEASURE TESTING

Unspecified

### Identifying Information

#### ORIGINAL TITLE

Cancer 1. The practice can produce a register of all cancer patients defined as a 'register of patients with a diagnosis of cancer excluding nonmelanotic skin cancers from 1 April 2003.'

#### MEASURE COLLECTION

[Quality and Outcomes Framework Indicators](#)

#### MEASURE SET NAME

[Cancer](#)

#### DEVELOPER

British Medical Association  
National Health System (NHS) Confederation

#### ENDORSER

National Health Service (NHS)

#### ADAPTATION

Measure was not adapted from another source.

#### RELEASE DATE

2004 Apr

#### REVISION DATE

2006 Feb

#### MEASURE STATUS

This is the current release of the measure.

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#### MEASURE AVAILABILITY

The individual measure, "Cancer 1. The practice can produce a register of all cancer patients defined as a 'register of patients with a diagnosis of cancer excluding nonmelanotic skin cancers from 1 April 2003'," is published in the "Quality and outcomes framework guidance." This document is available in Portable Document Format (PDF) from the [British Medical Association Web site](#).

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